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In response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2004 (Office Action), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the replacement paragraph which begins on page 2 of this submission.

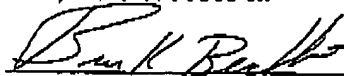
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this submission.

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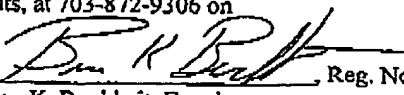
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1001 790	2001 395	Utility filing fee	
1002 350	2002 175	Design filing fee	
1003 650	2003 275	Plant filing fee	
1004 790	2004 395	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 0.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims 71 -20-- = 8 x 50 = 400
 Independent Claims 4 -3-- = 1 x 200 = 200
 Multiple Dependent

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201 88	2201 44	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 300	2203 150	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 88	2204 44	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	120.00
1252 430	2252 215	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 880	2253 490	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,630	2254 765	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,080	2255 1,040	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 340	2401 170	Notice of Appeal	
1402 340	2402 170	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 300	2403 150	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,370	2453 685	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,370	2501 685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 490	2502 245	Design issue fee	
1503 660	2503 330	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 60	1807 60	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)	
1808 180	1808 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 790	2809 395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 790	2810 395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 790	2801 395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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